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РУССКИЙ ЯЗЫК

Russian 102: Elementary Russian II

(Class meets MTWTh in LA 234)

Преподаватель (Instructor): **Она**

(Ona Renner-Fahey)

Приёмные часы (Office Hours):

*М 1:00-2:00, Т 10:30-11:30 and Th 1:00-2:00,
and by appointment.*

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Course description:

This course continues to introduce students to the Russian language. Course materials are a textbook (*Russian Full Circle*), on-line supplements, and handouts. Russian 102 is a four-credit course and fulfills one semester toward the Foreign Language Competency. It is required for Russian majors and minors. It is a prerequisite to Russian 201, which will be offered in the fall.

Learning Outcomes:

In this course, the students will continue to learn the fundamentals of the Russian language through the four skills of speaking, listening, writing, and reading. By the end of the semester students will have learned all the cases, as well as verbal aspect. While there will be considerable focus on grammar, the ultimate aim of the course will be active communication within various contexts of the target language and culture.

Classroom Etiquette:

It is essential to the learning process that students treat each other and the instructor with respect. Under the Student Conduct Code, students who are found to be disruptive may be asked to leave the classroom. Disruptive behaviors may include but are not limited to:

- Using electronic communication devices, including cell phones and laptops for purposes unrelated to ongoing class activities.
- Carrying on side conversations that are distracting to the instructor and other students.
- Verbally interrupting the class with comments or questions not relevant to the course or to the current discussion.
- Failure to participate in assigned group activities.
- Significantly interfering with instructor's work activities during or outside of class.

Disability Accommodations:

If you are a student with a disability who will require reasonable accommodation in this course, please meet with Disability Services for Students in Lommasson 154 for assistance in developing a plan to address program accommodations. If you are already working with Disability Services, then you should arrange to meet with one of your instructors during her office hours to discuss accommodations that may be necessary.

Assessment:

- *Engagement:* Active participation is integral to the success of learning a foreign language. Students will receive participation grades of 0-5: 0 for being absent (letter grade of F), 1 for being present but incapable of participating (letter grade of D: 65%), 2 for fair participation (letter grade of C: 74%), 3 for good participation (letter grade of B: 83%), 4 for very good quality and quantity of participation (letter grade of A-: 92%), 5 for excellent quality and quantity of participation (letter grade of A: 100%). Tardiness may also have an effect upon participation grades. Each student is allowed four free absences. After that, each absence will result in an additional two-point deduction from the student's final course grade. If a student does not miss any classes over the course of the semester, two points will be added to her/his final course grade. Please read and sign the attendance policy.
- *Homework:* Homework grades are also based on this 0-5 scale. Late homework for each unit will be accepted up until the day of the test but will be marked down one point per class day. Students must date all late homework and understand that it will not be graded with priority. Students may miss four homework assignments without being penalized. Homework assignments for an entire chapter will be handed out before we begin the chapter. If a student is absent they must, of course, check to see whether any changes were made to the scheduled homework. Homework is to be done on lined paper with clean edges. Write neatly and skip lines. A three-ring binder is required for keeping returned homework in order. Good organizational practices are key to your success in this course.
- *Film:* It is required that you watch a film outside of class time. We will show the film on ONE evening. If you cannot make it, you will be required to find a way to watch the film on your own and discuss it with your instructor before it is discussed in class. The content of the film will be incorporated into classroom discussion, written assignments and/or the final exam.
- *Quizzes/tests/exams:*
 - These should be taken at their scheduled times.
 - Each student may drop his/her lowest unit quiz grade and unit test grade
 - If a student receives a test grade lower than 80%, it is highly recommended that s/he make an appointment with the professor in order to review the test. If the student does not work to understand the mistakes s/he made on the test, it is likely that s/he will make those same mistakes on subsequent tests.
 - Accompanying chapter tests (lessons 5-8) will be an oral test. Students will be required to take a 10-15 minute oral-proficiency portion of a test outside of class time on the day of the written test. A sign-up sheet will be passed around during class.
- *Grades are calculated according to the following scale:*
 - 93-100 A
 - 90-92 A-
 - 88-89 B+
 - 83-87 B
 - 80-82 B-
 - 78-79 C+
 - 73-77 C
 - 70-72 C-
 - 68-69 D+
 - 65-67 D
 - 64 & below F

- *Final grades will be calculated according to the following percentages:*

Class participation	15% of final grade
Homework	15% of final grade
4 unit quizzes @ 5% each	20% of final grade
3 unit tests @ 10% each	30% of final grade
Final exam	20% of final grade

- *Required course materials:*

1. Russian Full Circle by Donna Oliver and Edie Furniss. This may be purchased at the University Bookstore, ext. 1234. We will continue with the second half of the textbook we began in Russian 101.
2. A three-ring binder and loose-leaf paper.
3. Access to two on-line supplements: [*Russian Full Circle*](#) and a course Moodle page. (The link to the textbook page is on your Moodle page, as well.)

- *Quiz and Test Schedule (*Subject to Change):*

Chapter 5:

Thursday, January 23rd: Quiz
Monday, February 3rd: Test & Orals

Chapter 6:

Tuesday, February 11th: Quiz
Monday, February 24th: Test & Orals

Chapter 7:

Thursday, March 5th: Quiz
*Thursday, March 12th: Test & Orals

Chapter 8:

Monday, April 6th: Quiz
Wednesday, April 15th: Test & orals

Chapter 9: (No test or orals)

Wednesday, April 22nd: Quiz

Final Exam:

(and 10-15 minutes another time that day for an oral test)

*To keep up to date on Russian language, culture, and local Russian-related events, "like" our FB page (**The University of Montana Russian Program**) and follow our Instagram page **UMRussianprogram**.*

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Attendance / Participation Policy:

Active participation is integral to the success of learning a foreign language. Students will periodically receive participation grades of 0-5: 0 for being absent (letter grade of F), 1 for being present but incapable of participating (letter grade of D: 65%), 2 for fair participation (letter grade of C: 74%), 3 for good participation (letter grade of B: 83%), 4 for very good quality and quantity of participation (letter grade of A-: 92%), 5 for excellent quality and quantity of participation (letter grade of A: 100%). (Please note that a “4” is still an A-.) A “5” must truly be earned. Tardiness may also have an effect upon participation grades ***Each student may be absent four times without his/her grade being significantly affected. Each absence after that will result in an additional two-percentage-point deduction from the student’s final course grade.*** For example, if your course grade averages to a 91% but you were absent 5 times, your course grade would be changed to an 89%. If you were absent 6 times, your course grade would be changed to an 87%. ***If a student does not miss any classes (and was not regularly tardy) over the course of the semester, two percentage points will be added to her/his final course grade. If a student is late and marked absent, it is his/her responsibility to make sure that absence is removed.***

Absences will only be excused for serious illnesses or university-sponsored events that have been ***approved ahead of time*** by your Russian instructor. Scheduled doctors’ appointments, weddings, minor colds, etc., will likely not be excused. It is up to your instructor to determine whether your absence can be excused.

I have read and understand the above attendance policy for first-year Russian at the University of Montana.

Signature

Date
